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MEMORANDUM

Construction Memo 07-10

TO:

Chief District Engineers

District TEBMs for Project Delivery & Preservation

District TEBMs for Engineering Support

District Section Engineers

FROM:

Steven Criswell, P.E.

Director, Division of Construction

DATE:

July 30, 2010

SUBJECT:

Update on Striping Availability

A meeting was held on Friday, July 23rd with the Kentucky Highway Contractor's Association, striping contractors, and a paint supplier to discuss the current availability of striping paint. This meeting verified that striping paint is in short supply in Kentucky and nationwide. Various options were discussed concerning the district wide striping contracts and the striping of roadways that are being resurfaced and constructed.

In order to conserve the amount of available paint, it was decided to concentrate on resurfacing contracts and newly constructed roadways and to defer the district wide striping contracts as much as possible. Districts are strongly encouraged to review routes within their area that have not been striped to date and ensure that they can maintain an acceptable reflectivity until next year. Routes that are identified as having poor reflectivity shall be conveyed to the district wide striping contractor for striping this year. Section offices that administer these district wide striping contracts have been contacted by a previous email from this office outlining the course of action on these Contracts.

The Department continues to emphasize the importance of the proper delineation of roadways. The actions outlined above should allow the Department, Contractors and traveling public to obtain the most benefit for the roadway paint that is currently available. As stated in Construction Memo 06-10, roadways that are resurfaced must be delineated at the end of each day in accordance with Section 112.03.11 of the 2008 Standard Specifications. The Department strives to provide safe roadways for the public and this partnering effort will help to ensure that we continue with this endeavor during the current material shortage.

Please contact this office with any questions that you may have.

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